

exchange visitor program designated by the United States Department of State pursuant to 22 C.F.R. Part 62."

SECTION 2. G.S. 115C-325(a) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(4b) "Exchange teacher" means a nonimmigrant alien teacher participating in an exchange visitor program designated by the United States Department of State pursuant to 22 C.F.R. Part 62."

SECTION 3. G.S. 115C-325(c) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(6) Status of Exchange Teachers. – Exchange teachers shall not be eligible to obtain career status. However, for purposes of determining eligibility to receive employment benefits under this Chapter, including personal leave, annual vacation leave, and sick leave, an exchange teacher shall be considered a permanent teacher if employed with the expectation of at least six full consecutive monthly pay periods of employment and if employed at least 20 hours per week."

SECTION 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 2002.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of August, 2002.

Became law upon approval of the Governor at 4:56 p.m. on the 6th day of September, 2002.

S.B. 1262

Session Law 2002-111

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ENTER INTO MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ON BEHALF OF ITS SPECIAL PEACE OFFICERS WHO HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENFORCING THE LAW GOVERNING THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 1A of Chapter 113 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 113-28.2A. Cooperation between law enforcement agencies."

Special peace officers employed by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources are officers of a "law enforcement agency" for purposes of G.S. 160A-288, and the Department shall have the same authority as a city or county governing body to approve cooperation between law enforcement agencies under that section."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 29th day of August, 2002.

Became law upon approval of the Governor at 4:57 p.m. on the 6th day of September, 2002.

S.B. 1154

Session Law 2002-112

AN ACT TO EXPAND THE LIST OF SECTIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONDOMINIUM ACT THAT APPLY TO CONDOMINIUMS CREATED ON OR